



AN OLD SPANISH TRADITION

When the Court St. Catherine Catholic Daughters assemble for their annual Christmas Party tomorrow evening they will enjoy a "South of the Border" affair. Decorations will be in the Spanish theme and a highlight of the evening will be the traditional breaking of the pinata. Practicing for the event are, from left, Mrs. Ralph Sullivan, party chair-

man, holding the pinata, while Mrs. Louie Derouin, grand regent, takes a swing at the pinata with a wooden spoon, to the amusement of Mmes. Albert Moreta, decorations chairman, and Laura Kuhn, party co-chairman. The Christmas celebration will take place at the Charles Butterfield home on Cypress Ave. (Press-Herald Photo)



GETTING READY FOR THE PARTY

The fun of trimming the tree for their holiday party tomorrow at the Palos Verdes Country Club is being enjoyed by these members of the South Bay Hospital Auxiliary, from left, Mmes. Richard Manning, on the hospitality committee, trimming the tree, as Mrs. Richard Nielson, shows a box of real holly sent by her parents from Oregon, to Mrs. Henry Moeck. The party will feature a wine tasting, organ music, program and luncheon. (Press-Herald Photo)



CHRISTMAS IN DOUBLE TIME

Children of the South Bay Mothers of Twins Club members will be entertained at their annual holiday party on Dec. 17 at 10:30 a.m. at the Grand, 1522 Cravens Ave. in Torrance where cartoons will be shown. Children will sing Christmas carols, directed by Mrs. Jerry Griffith. Santa Claus will be there to distribute candy and apples. Mmes. Thomas Webb and John Rand are party chairmen. Children learning the virtue of holiday gift-giving are, from left Michael and Sharon Webb, two-year-old twins, watching Tammy Evans 3, accepting a gift from her twin brother Tracy. Mmes. Ralph Coolidge and Tom Prevo, philanthropy chairmen, announce that holiday dinners will be provided for three needy families and that the Mothers Club has contributed to the Christmas Cheer Fund. (Press-Herald Photo)

Colorful South of the Border Theme

CDA Court Yule Party Slated

The home of Mrs. Charles Butterfield on Cypress Avenue in Torrance will be transformed into a colorful Spanish setting tomorrow evening for the annual Christmas party to be held by the Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America.

Vivid decorations will carry out the "South of the Border" atmosphere and the traditional breaking of the pinata will climax the festive evening.

Chairmen for the 8 p.m. affair, Mrs. Laura Kuhn and Mrs. Ralph Sullivan, have planned an evening of games with prizes, a gift exchange and holiday refreshments. There will also be a

group singing of the Christmas carols.

Friends and prospective members have been invited to join the court members for this most festive occasion on their calendar. Special guests will be Rev. Rudolfo De La Cerna, chaplain of the court, and Mrs. Jerry Lewis of Long Beach, district deputy.

On the party committee are Mmes. James Carlin, Thomas Murphy, Lorne Durward, Harold Foley, Joseph Simpson, Rudolph Peters, Dwight Buhman, Fatty George, Loretta Hensley, Florence Blasco and Mary Gribbon.

Members of the court have

been working for weeks on their Christmas charities for the aged and handicapped. On Dec. 12, they will take a gift for each of the residents of the St. Ann's Home for the Aged in Los Angeles along with food, beauty supplies, candy, cigarettes and cash.

On Dec. 13, members will visit the school for the retarded, taking articles which the school has requested. Two baskets of food for needy families will also be distributed during the holidays.

Mrs. Paul Hiszen, social welfare chairman, and her committee are in charge of these charities.

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ASSUME LEADERSHIP

Endowed with the responsibilities of the top offices in the Auxiliary to the Torrance Fire Department for the coming year were, from left seated, Mmes. Mark Andersen, first vice-president; Edward Siminich, president; standing, Mmes. John Blain treasurer; and Bruce Smith, secretary. Officers were installed at a Christmas luncheon at the Indian Village. (Press-Herald Photo)

Auxiliary Seats New Officers at Luncheon

Mrs. Edward Siminich was installed as president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Torrance Fire Department in an impressive candlelight ceremony following a luncheon in the Turquoise Room at Indian Village. Mrs. Mack Oetting, retiring president, was installation officer.

Others installed to serve with Mrs. Siminich were Mmes. Mark Andersen, first vice president; Robert Moffitt, second vice president; Bruce Smith, secretary; and John Blain, treasurer.

Mrs. Oetting thanked her officers and chairmen and presented each with a long stemmed red carnation.

The newly-installed president was given a miniature fire helmet pin and Mrs. Oetting was presented with her past presidents gavel pin.

Mrs. Edward Kennedy served as chairman of the installation luncheon. She was assisted by Mrs. Carl Marshall and Mrs. Walter West. Mrs. Bruce Smith gave the invocation and Mrs. John Hughes, hospitality chairman, was in charge of the guest book and name tags.

A decorated Christmas tree stood in one corner of the room and a poinsettia centerpiece graced the head table. Places were marked with Christmas tree ornaments.

Special Christmas music was presented by the Joslyn Community Chorus, directed by Walter Wittel.

Guests attending were Sally Firth, Mmes. Keith Pischel, Edna Jury, Mildred Gouker, Robert Myers, Vicky Clonka, Jane Ziegler, June Coverly, Marge Warinner and Marjorie Oetting.

Auxiliary members present were Mmes. Mack Oetting, Carl Marshall, Edward Kennedy, Donald Lamb, Bruce Smith, Edward Graboski, Charles Richardson and Edward Siminich.

Also, Mmes. Gilbert Pike, John Spaan, Edgar Polston, Robert Browning, Denny Haas, John Blain, Mark Andersen, Richard Sprout, James Wass, Robert Moffitt, John Hughes, Bill Slonecker and Walter West.

South Bay Hospital Auxiliary

Wine Tasting Luncheon

Regular business affairs will lead off the December meeting of the South Bay Hospital Auxiliary when members gather tomorrow morning at 10:30 at the Palos Verdes Country Club and then they will "have a party" to celebrate the Yuletide season.

There will be a wine-tasting hour held amid festive Christmas decorations with holiday music played throughout the party on the Hammond organ by Bill Bailey. A Christmas program will then be presented

by Mrs. Robert Lacey, auxiliary program chairman. Luncheon will follow.

This festive meeting promises fun galore for members and their friends, stated Mrs. Jack Goetz, president.

Mrs. Carlton Clark, hospitality chairman, is in charge of party arrangements. She is being assisted by Mmes. Joseph Manning, Louis Musulin, Earl Billings and Sarah Hilliary.

Others assisting are Misses Kellie Heinze and Jane Simpson.



Annual Eggnog Party

Members of the Torrance Jaycettes will don their formal holiday gowns to join their husbands, the Jaycees, for the Annual Eggnog Party to be held Sunday evening, Dec. 18, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, 22943 Fonthill Ave. Hors d'oeuvres will complement the eggnog and holiday punch to be served throughout the evening. Ready for the party are, from top, on the stairs, Mmes. Ron Simkins, hostess; Harry Morrow, Richard Lujan and Hal Lindborg, president of the Jaycettes. (Press-Herald Photo)